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TITLE: Col. Paul W. Stephens 1964 Alaska Earthquake Photographs

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2013.061

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1964

Extent: 137 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Paul W. Stephens

Administrative/Biographical History:
Paul W. Stephens (1919-2013) was a 1938 graduate of Texas A & M University. He served in the United States Air Force as a pilot and engineer. At the time of the 1964 Good Friday Earthquake, he was colonel and deputy chief of staff, civil engineering, at Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage, Alaska.

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of 136 black-and-white photographs used to illustrate a report on damage from the 1964 Alaska Earthquake on Elmendorf Air Force Base in Anchorage, compiled by Col. Paul W. Stephens. One photograph is a portrait of Stephens. Also included is a copy of a report on Stephen’s performance and promotion potential, signed by Col. Alfred V. Walton and Maj. Gen. James C. Jensen.
Arrangement: Original order maintained.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

Restrictions on Access: The collection is open for research use.
Physical Access: Original items in good condition.

Technical Access: No special equipment is needed to access the materials.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by granddaughter Paula Talley and her husband Randy in July 2013.

Processing Note
Items removed from three-ring binder. Label headings transcribed below. Information on building locations supplied by Douglas Beckstead, Historian, 673rd Air Base Wing History Office in March 2014.

RELATED MATERIALS
CIHS McCutcheon Collection, B1964.x.006
AHFAM Earthquake Photographs, B1969.011
Betty Bannon Collection, B1970.015
Zappa Earthquake Papers, B1972.060
Portage Earthquake Photographs, B1973.070
Patricia Mayo Earthquake Time Ticket, B1974.013
Kroninger Photograph Collection, B1976.118
Army Corps of Engineers 1964 Earthquake Photographs, B1977.118
Corps of Engineers 1964 Earthquake Photographs, B1979.038
Woodman Photograph Collection, B1980.027
McDermott Collection, B1987.083
Ron Aldrin Earthquake Slides, B1994.024
Sanborn Recording of 1964 Earthquake, B1997.023
Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Collection, B2002.002
Charles Koppel 1964 Earthquake Collection, B2002.008
Norman Campbell Photographs, B2005.041
Bronitsky Letter, B2006.021
4th and H St. Demolition Collection, B2007.002
Opal Myers 1964 Earthquake Collection, B2007.003
Christenson Slide collection, B2007.016
Bangkok Embassy Teletype Collection, B2009.044
SUBJECTS
Stephens, Paul W., 1919-2013
Alaska Earthquake, Alaska, 1964
Earthquakes—Alaska—Anchorage
Earthquake damage—Alaska—Anchorage
Elmendorf Air Force Base (Alaska)
Anchorage (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

.1 – [portrait of Col. Paul W. Stephens]
- [copy of performance review of Stephens]

Hospital [.2-.68. Air Force Hospital, Zeamer Ave, west side of road opposite from the Joint Military Hospital]

Bldg 43 [.69-.79. Original control tower]

Bldg D-25 Hangar [.80-.85]

Bluff Rd [.86-.89. Base Power Plant shown in .86-87. Road runs along southwest edge of base, inside the fence]

ACS Toll [.90-.93. Outside Government Hill gate, north side of road]

Bldg 11 [.94-.99. Building 11-420, Warehouse Building, no longer in existence, was southwest of hangar 3, north of Building #10550 on Sijan Ave.]

Bldg 4-800 [.100-.101. Base Theater]

Bldg 21-884 [.102-.105. Base Supply, #5257, corner of Finletter Ave and 9th St]
Bldg 6-900 [.106-.114. 673 ABW Headquarters, #10471, on 20th St between Luke and Mundy Aves]

Bldg 31-250 [.115-.116. Matanuska Hall/Billeting/Arctic Warrior Processing, #7153, at Doolittle Ave and Fighter Dr]

Bldg 31-270 [.117-.119. Denali Hall Dorm, #7179, at Fighter Dr and Fairchild Ave]

Bldg 6-920 [.120-.121. Public Affairs/Contracting, #10480, at corner of Luke Ave and 22nd St]

Bldg 32-235 [.122-.123. Base Operations/AMC Pax Terminal, Incoming, #11369, on west end of 18th St]

Bldg 2-900 [.124-.126. People Center, #8517, on 20th St between Rickenbacker Ave and Saville Ave]

Base Gym [.127-.132. Building 4-940, #9510]

Base Supply [.133-.135. Possibly 21-884, #5257, cf. images .102-.105]

Bowling Alley [.136. Building #7176, southwest corner of Fighter Dr and Fairchild Ave]

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